

114TH CONGRESS  
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Designating September 25, 2015, as “National Lobster Day”.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. KING (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. REED, Ms. AYOTTE, and Mr. MURPHY) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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# RESOLUTION

Designating September 25, 2015, as “National Lobster Day”.

Whereas lobster from the United States is recognized around the world as a prized culinary delicacy;

Whereas lobster fishing has served as an economic engine and a family tradition in the United States for centuries;

Whereas thousands of families in the United States make their livelihoods from lobster fishing and processing;

Whereas more than 120,000,000 pounds of lobster are caught each year in waters of the United States, representing one of the Nation’s most valuable catches;

Whereas the lobster industry is booming abroad, with profits climbing from \$335,800,000 in 2009 to \$738,600,000 in 2014;

Whereas historical lore notes that lobster likely joined turkey on the table at the very first Thanksgiving Day feast in 1621;

Whereas responsible lobstering practices, beginning in the 1600s, have created one of the world's most sustainable fisheries;

Whereas Lobster Newburg was featured on the menu at the inaugural dinner celebration for President John F. Kennedy;

Whereas lobsters are one of the most healthy and nutritious sources of protein;

Whereas the peak of the lobstering season in the United States occurs in the late summer;

Whereas lobster has become a culinary icon, with the lobster roll being featured at the 2015 World Food Expo in Milan, Italy; and

Whereas lobster is featured on more and more restaurant menus, growing by 35 percent from 2009 to 2013: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2               (1) designates September 25, 2015, as “National Lobster Day”; and

3               (2) encourages the people of the United States  
4               to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and  
5               activities.  
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